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July 27, 2015

TO:

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FROM:

Cynthia A. Harding, M.P.H.

Interim Director

SUBJECT:

NOTIFICATION OF THE USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT A

NOTICE OF AWARD FROM THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND THE HOSPITAL PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1,

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2015 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2016

This is to notify you that I am exercising the delegated authority approved by your Board on June 6, 2012, to accept future awards and/or amendments from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) that are consistent with the requirements of Notice of Award (NA) Number 1U90TP000516-01 that extend the term through June 30, 2017, at amounts to be determined by the CDC, estimated not to exceed \$35,000,000 per grant term, and allow for the rollover of unspent funds, subject to review and approval by County Counsel, and notification to your Board and the Chief Executive Office.

Under this authority, I will accept CDC NA Number 5U90TP000516-04, issued on June 26, 2015, in the amount of \$30,547,030 consisting of \$28,935,851 in new funds and \$1,611,179 in carryover funds for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 (Year 4) as follows:

## **Base Award:**

A total of \$16,438,904 in new funds will support the Department of Public Health's (DPH) preparedness and response efforts to upgrade, integrate, and evaluate preparedness and response capabilities to address public health emergencies including acts of terrorism; infectious disease outbreaks, including influenza pandemics or the Ebola virus disease; food-borne disease outbreaks and other food security issues; natural disasters; and biological, chemical, nuclear, and radiological threats. Funding will support personnel costs, services, and supplies associated with emergency response activities related to CDC-developed public health capabilities, including community preparedness and recovery, surveillance and epidemiological investigation, laboratory testing, information sharing, and emergency operations coordination. A portion of the new funds, \$2,198,388, has been restricted pending submission of an approved indirect cost rate agreement by DPH due to CDC by September 30, 2015.

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A total of \$719,448 in carryover funds from Year 3 will support 24/7 security for the Public Health Laboratory, a facility lease for emergency preparedness personnel, community resilience tools and resource materials, a public health surveillance tool which monitors 65 hospital emergency rooms for influxes of illnesses that may indicate a bioterrorism incident or an emergent disease outbreak, and data transmission and geo-mapping services provided by the Los Angeles County Coroner.

## Cities Readiness Initiative (CRI):

A total of \$3,299,780 in new funds will support medical countermeasure dispensing and medical material management and distribution capabilities as well as volunteer management related to all-hazards events including the ability to respond to catastrophic public health emergencies such as large-scale biological attacks. Activities will include establishing medication dispensing sites for the delivery of vaccine and/or antibiotics to the public, distributing medical supplies to hospitals and clinics, and managing medical volunteers. A portion of the new funds, \$390,856, has been restricted pending submission of an approved indirect cost rate agreement by DPH due to CDC by September 30, 2015.

A total of \$428,669 in carryover funds from Year 3 will support procurement of emergency operation supplies, a series of medical countermeasure distribution and dispensing exercises, and facility lease for CRI personnel.

## **Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP):**

A total of \$9,197,167 in new funds will support the Department of Health Services Emergency Medical Services Agency's (EMS) efforts to improve healthcare system capacity and enhance community and hospital preparedness for public health and medical emergencies. Activities will include enhancing hospital and healthcare system planning and response; integrating public/private sector medical planning and assets to increase preparedness; and improving local hospital infrastructures to help hospitals and healthcare systems prepare for public health emergencies. A portion of the new funds, \$836,106, has been restricted pending submission of an approved indirect cost rate agreement which was submitted by EMS on June 29, 2015.

A total of \$463,062 in carryover funds from Year 3 will support EMS' ongoing efforts to improve healthcare system capacity and enhance community and hospital preparedness for public health and medical emergencies. Activities will include replacing outdated personal protective equipment, completion of the pediatrics and mass casualty projects from Year 3, and funding of a new hospital to participate in the HPP program. A portion of the carryover funds, \$42,097, has been restricted pending submission of an approved indirect cost rate agreement which was submitted by EMS on June 29, 2015.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved NA Number 5U90TP000516-04 as to use and this delegated authority action.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

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c: Interim Chief Executive Officer
Interim County Counsel
Acting Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
Director of Health Services